

made Lincoln, and Manilla Bay and Santiago harbor made Dewey and Sampson. These men were made by their activities. They never imagined that they were ever to do what we today know they did do; neither did they ever imagine that they possessed such power. The mere endeavor lent them power, or better perhaps was the means of drawing out the latent powers, the possession of which they were unconscious.

There is much latent power in the churches. If Christ could walk thro our churches and say to this latent power as he spoke to the cripple at the pool, we should find a very different church from that one we now see. Such a condition of the church ought to have brought about, and what ought to be is not impossible. Whatever we are called to do as followers of Christ we should do; and if Christ should ask each of us, "Can you drink of the cup that I must drink of, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" the Christian's answer should be, *we can*.

#### Topic Cards

Our topic cards are now ready for shipment and we are now ready to receive and fill orders. We have filled all orders and cards are now on their way to you that have ordered. If you have sent no order do so. The cards are pleasing to all that have examined them and the price so low that your society can afford to order one hundred at least. Remember the price, fifty cents per hundred.

#### Young People's Work in Indiana

Owing to the inability of our State Secretary, Mrs. F. E. Rohrer, Milford, to be at our recent conferences and make a report, the president had to do so, and had to depend for such work upon the report made by the secretary of conference. There was however a slight increase in membership over the past year. There was no record of new societies organized but we feel quite sure that there were some organized. Sixteen members were added to the church from the senior society and fourteen (?) from the junior society.

Our work, not unlike our work at National Conference, was *pushed out*. We are growing accustomed to this way of treating our work. But we are "Standing on the promise" of not being so treated next year. Will the promise hold? *We will see*.

#### News From Societies

Brother George Carpenter, president of the Young People's society at Fairview, Ind., is now attending Ashland College. Brother George proved himself to be a good president, but we are glad that he is preparing himself for more effective work.

Brother J. M. Bowman thus writes me concerning "The Quiet Hour": "I hope the Quiet Hour may be largely taken up by our people. So much profit would come to the individual therefrom as well as much impetus and power to the Lord's cause everywhere. The Christian that determines to give a few minutes each morning to really receiving the

word of God in an honest way and opening his inmost being to the presence of Christ, gives the death blow to practical sin, and hand in hand would go the doing of God's will. No one can be considered righteous that is not hourly giving himself up to do what is pleasing in the sight of the Lord. I pray that somehow the whole church, pastors and people, may mightily turn to God and rise up in His strength to do His will here and now." The following bit of experience from Brother Bowman may be helpful to some that have not yet observed the Quiet Hour. "I have for a long time made Bible-reading, prayer and meditation the first and most important thing of the day. Count me a comrade of the Quiet Hour."

Will not the secretaries and presidents of the various societies send to me such news that may be of interest to the society at large?

#### Methods

I would like to devote some time each week to methods. You can aid me to do so. Will not some one from each society, officer or not, write me concerning the methods in use in your society. If you try something new, report it to me and I in turn will report it to the society at large.

This department is ours, young people, and let us make it, not only instructive and entertaining, but an honor to our cause. Will you help me make it so? I know you will. I have much confidence in the people of the Brethren church and more especially the young people. We have some good things for you next week.

WM. D. FURRY.

#### GO, OR SEND

J. O. TALLEY

We call those great, who have gone out to discover new countries, and to make new conquests, and brave, when they face great trials; but greater still are those whom God has called to go out, and find famishing, starving, suffering souls, and bring them to Jesus, who can save them, and feed them, and restore them. "Go;" was there ever before such a great command? Can any other word in the language suggest such possibilities? "Teach;" peasants, sick, forsaken, oppressed, the outcast, the fallen, kings on thrones, armies in the field, the pagan heathen. Tell them that God loves them. That God in the heart, is the medicine for soul sick, rest for weary, riches for the poor, and indeed all things that is needful for happiness in this world, and eternal life in the next. Would you be great? "Go;" find some lost soul; it is worth more than a lost continent. Would you be happy? "Go;" carry hope into some forsaken soul. Would you have joy? Lose yourself in finding some way to make some poor soul happy. Sorrow is a mighty, merciless river; see! they are drowning; thousands of hapless souls; hear their cries, "go." Out with the life boat; the night is dark; let your light shine, dash the "bushel" to pieces, put your "light upon a candle-stick," point them to

the "city upon the hill." It is the only business your Lord has given you in this world. "Go." That little word "go" between God, heaven and a lost world. The issue is with us. We may be instrumental in mighty results. With God, little words express mighty possibilities. "Go," means salvation to many. Saint, means joy that the world knows not of. "Saint" is a word of heaven's coinage.

#### SEND

God never made anything in vain. The smallest things God made, have a mission in the world. A purpose in all things. Reverse the statement; all things in a purpose. What is your purpose? Can you go? then do it. It is God's purpose. Could we understand the cries of the hopeless, could we hear the prayers of those under the heavy hand of affliction, could we understand the feelings of the sin bruised, sin cursed creatures of God, in human form, then we could know the "mercy of God," then could we pity as God pities, then we could love as God loves. Is it your purpose to "go?" Then there is heaven in that purpose for you. Is it your purpose to send some one? Then there is heaven in that purpose for you. There is all things in the purposes of God for you and me. If his purpose becomes our purpose, then his mercy becomes our mercy, his heaven becomes our heaven, his life becomes our life, his joy our joy. Eternal life. Eternal joy. It is the purpose of God.

Have you dollars? Send. Have you talent? Go. Have you both? Then both go, and send. Happy is the man who has two talents. Happier still is he who uses all he has. His is a big account in the bank of God. Jesus gave all. The apostle gave all. 'Twas a good investment. It has wiped the tears from millions of eyes, raised millions from the death of despair, opened the doors of possibilities for the hopeless. It is all that makes England and the United States different from Africa and India today. All that makes the world worth living in. "Go" or send, is the final command of Jesus.

## The Christian Life

### PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

#### THE PROPHETS—HAGGAI

##### I The Prophet

- The first of the past,—Exilic prophets, who were Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi.
- Was probably an old man at the time of his prophetic work. Hag. 2:3.
- Zechariah was a younger contemporary. Both prophesied at almost the same time. Compare Hag. 2:1 and Zech. 1:1.
- Of his ancestry or subsequent history we know nothing. Only his work for God abides and remains to our eyes in this distant age. But, work for God is the only part of any man's life that will ultimately survive.

##### II The Prophecy

- Its purpose. (1) Fifteen years had passed since the building of the great altar on the ruins of the old temple had been in-